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SUBJECT: CHILE: RSO REQUEST FOR HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR
INTERDICTING TERRORIST ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Sensitive but unclassified. Please handle accordingly.

¶1. (U) This is an action request. See paragraphs 2 and 3.

¶2. (SBU) Action request: Embassy requests the Department assist in conducting a Leahy Amendment Human Rights review, as well as a general name check, of the following Chilean Police officers who have been nominated for U.S. funded training, pursuant to the Leahy Act and Foreign Assistance Act. Please transmit the results of such, including information not strictly covered by the Leahy Amendment, to the Embassy.

¶3. (SBU) The proposed training is the Interdicting Terrorist Activity Program, which will be held in Santiago Chile, between August 4 and August 15, 2008. The name and identifying information of the proposed candidates appear in the following format: Name, rank, unit, date of birth, place of birth and national identification number.

Francisco ARAVENA Padilla, Captain, Police Intelligence Division, 09/20/1976, Valparaiso, 12.016.347-7

Luis SEQUEIDA Calderon, Captain, Police Intelligence Division, 08/24/1977, Santiago, 13.484.338-1

Juan ABARCA Hernandez, Lieutenant, Police Intelligence Division, 09/20/1978, Sao Paulo Brazil, 14.132.526-4

Hector CANALES Benavides, Lieutenant, Police Intelligence Division, 12/19/1978, Santiago, 9.223.991-8

Eduardo GRANDON Zanhueza, Captain, Police Intelligence Division, 03/23/1972, Santiago, 10.887.763-4

Giorgio DE LUCA Piedra, Analyst, Police Intelligence Division, 04/13/1983, Santiago, 15.369.324-2

Soledad ESCOBAR Gajardo, Deputy Lieutenant, Police Intelligence Division, 03/04/1981, 14.125.380-8

Hector CABRERA Catalan, Lieutenant, Police Intelligence Division, 12/05/1978, Santiago, 14.004.941-7

Paola CERDA Rodriguez, Lieutenant, Police Division of Organized Crime Investigations, 07/21/1979, Talcahuano, 13.723.620-6

Cesar FIGUEROA Porras, Lieutenant, Police Division of Organized Crime Investigations, 11/21/1980, San Felipe, 13.752.563-1

Ricardo DIAZ Barria, Lieutenant, Police Division of Organized Crime Investigations, 03/28/1984, Ancud, 15.288.937-2

Luis BAEZA Lagos, Lieutenant, Police Division of Organized Crime Investigations, 03/06/1980, Coihueco, 13.795.147-9

¶4. (U) Embassy's ongoing investigation has not found credible

information that the candidates have been involved in gross human rights violations.

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